

REMARKS

The information set forth under “Related Applications” contained a typographical error, in which the serial number for the parent application contained transposed numbers. The amendment sets forth the correct serial number, which is 10/016,227. The original application correctly identified the filing date of the parent application (October 31, 2001) in the same paragraph, and the inventors in both applications are Leon Kerger and Bert Pistor, which is sufficient information with which to identify the correct application. The incorrect application serial number set forth in the original application was 10/106,227, which was filed on a different date (March 27, 2002), by other inventors, as noted on the Filing Receipt. Applicant requests a corrected filing receipt reflecting the information contained in this amendment.

The application as filed inadvertently included two successive claims designated “Claim 6.” This amendment corrects that mistake by redesignating the second original Claim 6 as Claim 7 and renumbering the original Claims 7-19 as Claims 8-20.

Original Claim 8 (renumbered Claim 9 in this amendment) has also been amended to delete a typographical error in subparagraph (e).

Original Claim 18 (renumbered Claim 19 in this amendment) has also been amended to correctly refer to the “valve position indicating means” set forth in renumbered Claim 9 (original Claim 8), rather than a “visual position indicator.”

Finally, new Claims 21 and 22 have been added to specifically claim embodiments of the invention wherein the valve is a multi-turn rotary valve with a linear moving stem.

The amendments set forth above are not believed to introduce any new matter to the above-referenced patent application. Support for the subject matter in renumbered Claim 19 (original Claim 18) is found in renumbered Claim 9 (original Claim 8). Support for the subject matter claimed in new Claims 21-22 is found in paragraph 0008 of the application as filed. Thus, entry of the amendments is kindly requested.

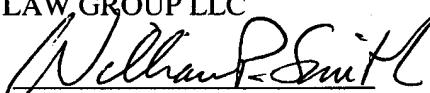
CONCLUSION

In light of the foregoing remarks, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner enter the above amendments to the above-referenced patent application prior to the start of prosecution on the merits of the above-referenced patent application.

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